

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Prediman K. SHAH *et al.*  
Application No. : 10/599,692  
Filed : October 5, 2006  
For : PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF VASCULAR DISEASE WITH  
RECOMBINANT ADENO-ASSOCIATED VIRUS VECTORS  
ENCODING APOLIPOPROTEIN A-1 AND APOLIPOPROTEIN A-1  
MILANO

Examiner : Janet L. Epps Smith  
Art Unit : 1633  
Docket No. : 67789-623  
Date : April 10, 2009

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSE AND ELECTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 25, 2009, this response to which is being timely filed, please consider the following remarks.